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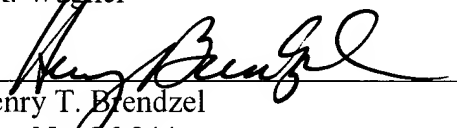
The rejected claims are withdrawn, and the objected to claims are amended herein to place them in independent form that incorporates all of the limitations of the base claims on which the respective claims depend. Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that all of the Examiner's objections and rejections have been overcome. Reconsideration and passage of the case to Issue are hereby requested.

Respectfully,
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